



Year 2

Autumn 1 Newsletter

2026 - 27

Welcome!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a wonderful summer break and that your child is feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting new year. It is a pleasure to welcome you and your child to Year 2. We are looking forward to a year filled with learning, creativity and fun.

In this newsletter, you will find an overview of our learning for this term, details about our routines and a glimpse at the topics we will be exploring throughout the year. We have also included a timetable to help you keep track of all the important information.

We would also like to let you know that Miss Lambert will begin her maternity leave after Friday 4th September. We know many of the children and families will want to join us in wishing her all the very best as she prepares to welcome her baby. We will miss her whilst she is away, but we are very excited for her and cannot wait to meet her new son when he arrives!

Regular updates will be shared with you and we encourage open communication. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. You can reach us by email, through the school office, or by speaking to us at the end of the day.

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Year 2 Topics

Autumn 1 (02.09.26 – 22.10.26)	Spring 1 (05.01.27 – 12.02.27)	Summer 1 (12.04.27 – 28.05.27)
The Place Where I Live	Explorers	Pirates, Buckets and Spades
Autumn 2 (02.11.26 – 18.12.26)	Spring 2 (22.02.27 – 25.03.27)	Summer 2 (08.06.27 – 20.07.27)
Castles and Dragons	Whiskers, Wings and Wild Things	Pirates, Buckets and Spades

Weekly Timetable

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Bring in your reading book and record in class every day				
		PE	Homework due in	- Spelling test - Forest school - Homework set

Please see Forest School page for dates.

Year 2 Routines

Entering / Exiting	Cloakroom	Snacks
- Gates open at 8:35am (there is no school-led supervision) - Doors open at 8:45am Home time is at 3:30pm The work on the roof will hopefully be completed over the next few weeks. In the meantime, children will enter and leave through the KS2 door onto the playground. At home time, children will be released by the class teacher once their adult has been seen. We will keep you informed of any further updates. - Parents and carers should not use the staff car park unless permission has been granted by the governing body in exceptional circumstances.	Playground	- All children receive a free piece of fruit every morning playtime - Children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack (i.e. fruit or sugar-free snack) for afternoon playtime. This should remain in their tray (not lunch box) until eaten. - No chocolate or crisps permitted. - We cannot store yoghurt in a fridge - Please note that we are a nut-free school due to severe allergies within our school. 
	Gates open at 8:35 a.m. The school yard is not supervised by staff before school. For everyone's safety, we kindly ask that children do not use the playground equipment during this time. If a child does use the equipment, the school cannot accept responsibility for any accidents that may occur before or after school hours.	
Homework	Drinks	Reading
- Homework and spellings will be set every Friday and will be due the following Thursday. - Please ensure the homework book is returned to school each week by Thursday, ready to be sent home again on Friday.	- Children should bring water in a clearly named water bottle each day. This will be kept in the classroom and can be refilled during the day if necessary. - EYFS and KS1 children are provided with milk from Cool Milk in the afternoon. If you would like your child to have milk, please visit the Cool Milk website where you will find information about registration and payment details.	- Each child is expected to bring their reading book and reading record into school every day and put these in their tray. - We ask parents to sign the reading record books when children have read at home. - There is no longer a set day to change books. Once your child has finished a book, they can bring it into school and change it before morning registration. 



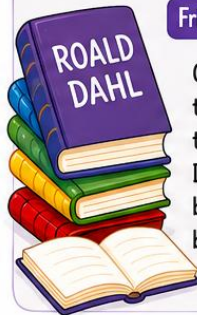
Dates for Your Diary!

Important events coming up...



Roald Dahl Day

Friday 11th September



Children can come to school dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character and bring in their favourite book.

Cauliflower Cards - Out

Friday 18th September



It's that time again! We will create our designs for Christmas cards and send these out to you.

Cauliflower Cards - Returned



Cards need to be returned back to school on or before **Monday 28th September**.

Non-Uniform Day

Thursday 24th September



Children can come to school in their own clothes. All we ask is for a donation of cakes / biscuits for our Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 25th September



Please join our coffee morning for delicious treats! All proceeds are donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.

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CANCER SUPPORT**

Grandparent Sharing Event

Friday 2nd October



Details to follow

Parents Evening

Wednesday 14th October

Thursday 15th October



Details to follow

School Individual Photos

Tuesday 20th October



Halloween Disco

Thursday 22nd October

Details to follow



Thank you for your support - we can't wait for a fantastic term!

Our Learning this half term

Our topic for the first half term is 'The Place Where I Live'. Throughout this half term, we will be focusing on:



English:

- **Non-chronological report:** We will create a non-chronological report in the form of a poster based on Trawden. This will incorporate knowledge gained through our geography unit.
- **Stories with familiar settings:** As a class, we will read 'The Jolly Postman' and children will explore the features of letter writing. They will then create their own recount based on the book.

Maths:

- Place value
- Addition and subtraction

Science:

- **Animals, including humans:** Learning about the life cycles of different animals, including frogs and chickens and beginning to understand the importance of a healthy diet.

Geography:

- Learning about the physical and human features of Trawden.

Computing:

- Staying safe online and information technology around us.

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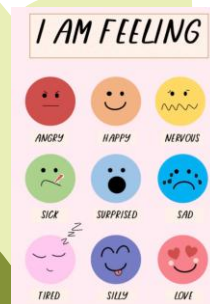
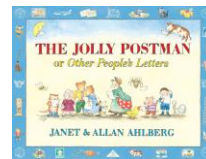
- Christianity: God

PSHE:

- Feelings and Emotions

Forest School:

- Den building



Forest School



On Forest School days, children should come to school wearing their “**Essential Forest School Kit**”. →

On colder days, children can also wear their own school jumper or cardigan if they wish (weather dependent).

On our Forest School days, children should bring their outdoor footwear – wellies or boots and waterproof clothing in a bag to change into.

Forest School Dates:

- Friday 18th September
- Friday 25th September
- Friday 9th October
- Friday 16th October

Essential Forest School Kit – all children **MUST** bring the correct kit on their allocated day:

- plain black full-length tracksuit bottoms or leggings (no logos or stripes)
- plain black long-sleeved quick-dry logo top (*short-sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- *waterproof suit or trousers
- school shoes / black trainers (to wear inside school)
- boots or wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap (weather dependent)

*optional

PE

All children **MUST** have their PE Kit in a drawstring bag that is kept in school on their peg. It will be sent home to be washed and size-checked each half term.

PE Kit

- white round neck T-shirt
- black shorts
- black pumps (indoor)
- plain black trainers (outdoor) - these may be brought in each week
- plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings (outdoor)
- *plain black tracksuit top (outdoor)
- drawstring pump bag

We could be **indoors** or **outdoors**, depending on the weather.



This half term, our PE day is **Wednesday**

Please note: watches and earrings must be removed for PE and long hair must be tied back. * optional

School Uniform



Girls

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan
- white polo shirt
- green checked skirt / pinafore or plain black skirt / pinafore
- *black trousers
- white or black socks / black tights
- black school shoes
- *bottle green and white checked dress for summer

Boys

- school logo bottle green sweatshirt
- white polo shirt
- black school trousers
- white or black socks
- black school shoes
- * black school shorts for summer

P.E. Kit

- white round neck T-shirt
- black shorts
- black pumps (indoor)
- plain black trainers (outdoor)
- plain black tracksuit bottoms / leggings (outdoor)
- *plain black tracksuit top (outdoor)
- drawstring pump bag

Forest School (Year 1-6)

- plain black full-length tracksuit bottoms or leggings (no logos or stripes)
- plain black long-sleeved quick-dry logo top (*short-sleeved in summer)
- waterproof coat
- *waterproof suit or trousers
- school shoes / black trainers (to wear inside school)
- boots or wellies
- spare socks
- hat and gloves / cap (weather dependent)

Extras

- * bottle green school book bag
- * bottle green school logo coat
- * bottle green school logo fleece
- * named water bottle
- * green small logo rucksack

NO jeans **NO** trainers or boots

NO jewellery^, make-up or nail varnish

NO extreme haircuts - long hair must be tied back

^watch and plain stud earrings only

*optional